[President.]

Take, again, my own case. I have to perform Upakarmam on a certain day which comes off long after the Yejurveda Upakarmom and the Rigveda Upakarmom. I am a Samavedi; on that score I cannot reasonably argue that the Samavedom Upakarmom day should be declared a general holiday and that if that is not done that will be an insult to Brahmins of my Veda.

As I have already indicated, in curtailing holidays, Government have proceeded on the basis that there are certain religious observances in which practically everybody participates; there are others which only certain sects or communities observe; in the former case they have been declared general holidays, and in the latter case they have been declared special holidays. Such special holidays obtain in Madras, Bombay and elsewhere too.

Now, in view of the criticisms that have been made on the floor of this House, the whole list will be reconsidered. But Government can hold out no hopes of increasing the number of holidays: that is a matter on which they have very definite opinion. I do not therefore want the honourable members to proceed on the assumption that the number of holidays will be increased.

MR. PULIYOOR T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI: In view of the statement by the Chair, I do not press the motion.

The motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.

PROCEDURE RE. DEBATE ON RESOLUTION ON PUBLIC SERVICE RECRUITMENT RULES.

PRESIDENT: I think, in order to make the business more speedy, more expeditious tomorrow, I would ask Mr. Padmanabha Pillai to move his resolution clause by clause.

I have gone through the amendments. Some of them are fundamental and really negatives of the resolution as such. They will be discussed by what may be called a vote *in limine*.

Then, there are certain other amendments which may be moved later after Mr. Padmanabha Pillai has finished moving all clauses of his resolution except such of them as can conceivably be brought in as amendments as and when the different clauses of the resolution are moved by Mr. Padmanabha Pillai.

I hope this debate will be finished tomorrow. As I have already indicated, the proposition of other honourable members will be moved as far as possible in the form of amendments to Mr. Padmanabha Pillai's resolution or as contradictories or negatives of that resolution.

I would ask honourable members to move their propositions one after another, and to take up and discuss Mr. Padmanabha Pillai's resolution clause by clause. Mr. Padmanabha Pillai's motion will be taken up first, and then those of the other honourable members, *viz.*, Mr. T. P. Velayudhan Pillai, Mr. C. Jebamony Nadar, Mr. N. John Joseph, Mr. Kochukunju, Mr. Kochukora Tharakan, Mr. V. Kunjukrishnan, Mr. Kunju Panicker and Mr. K. G. Govindan.

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Mr. Francis has given notice of a resolution that no change is necessary. That will be discussed as a negative of Mr. Pandmanabha Pillai's resolution.

The House adjourned at 5. 3 P. M.

A. GUNAMONY,
Secretary to the Sri Mulam Assembly.

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